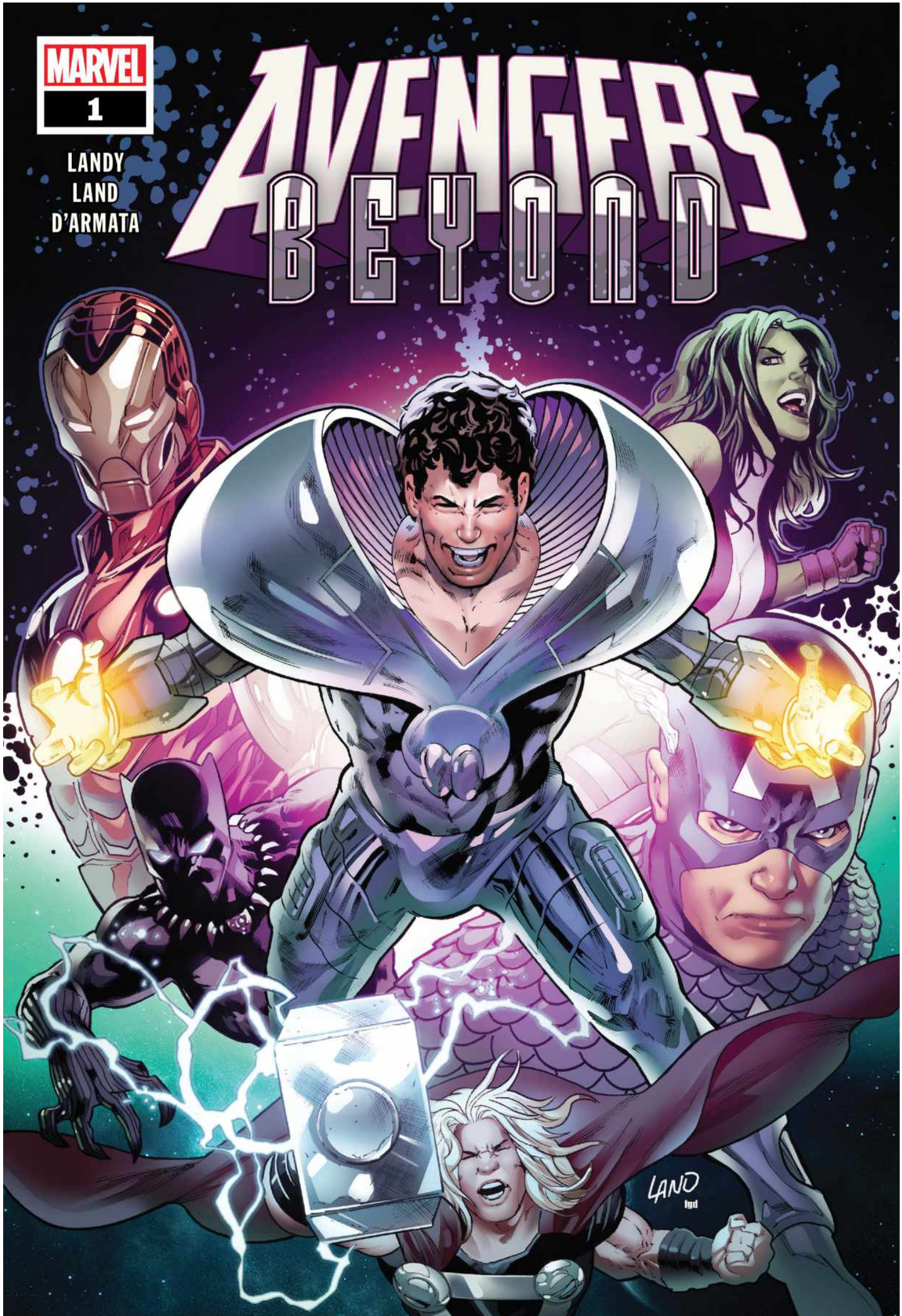
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And there came a day, a day unlike any other, when Earth's mightiest heroes found themselves united against a common threat--on that day, the Avengers were born! When the cosmic being known as the Beyonder once again threatens all of reality, the Avengers must become something even greater--they must become…

AVENGERS BEYOND

SHE-HULK

CAPTAIN AMERICA

BLACK PANTHER

CAPTAIN MARVEL

IRON MAN

THOR

BLADE

The Avengers recently underwent a series of missions that they could only partially recall, leading them to suspect that they were being covertly manipulated. While the mastermind behind these events kept hidden, Captain America recognized the reality-warping power signature of their old foe, the immensely powerful Beyonder!

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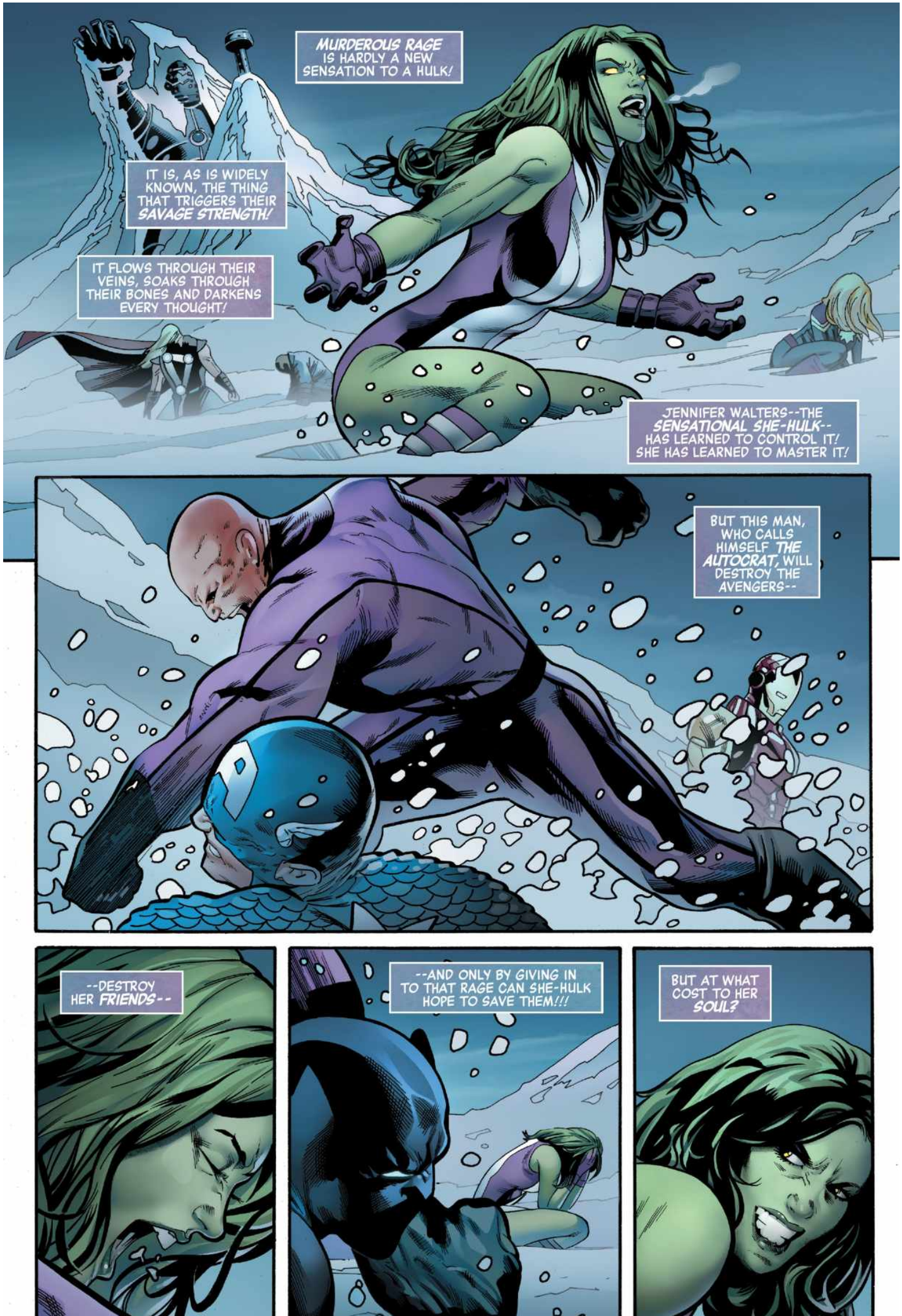
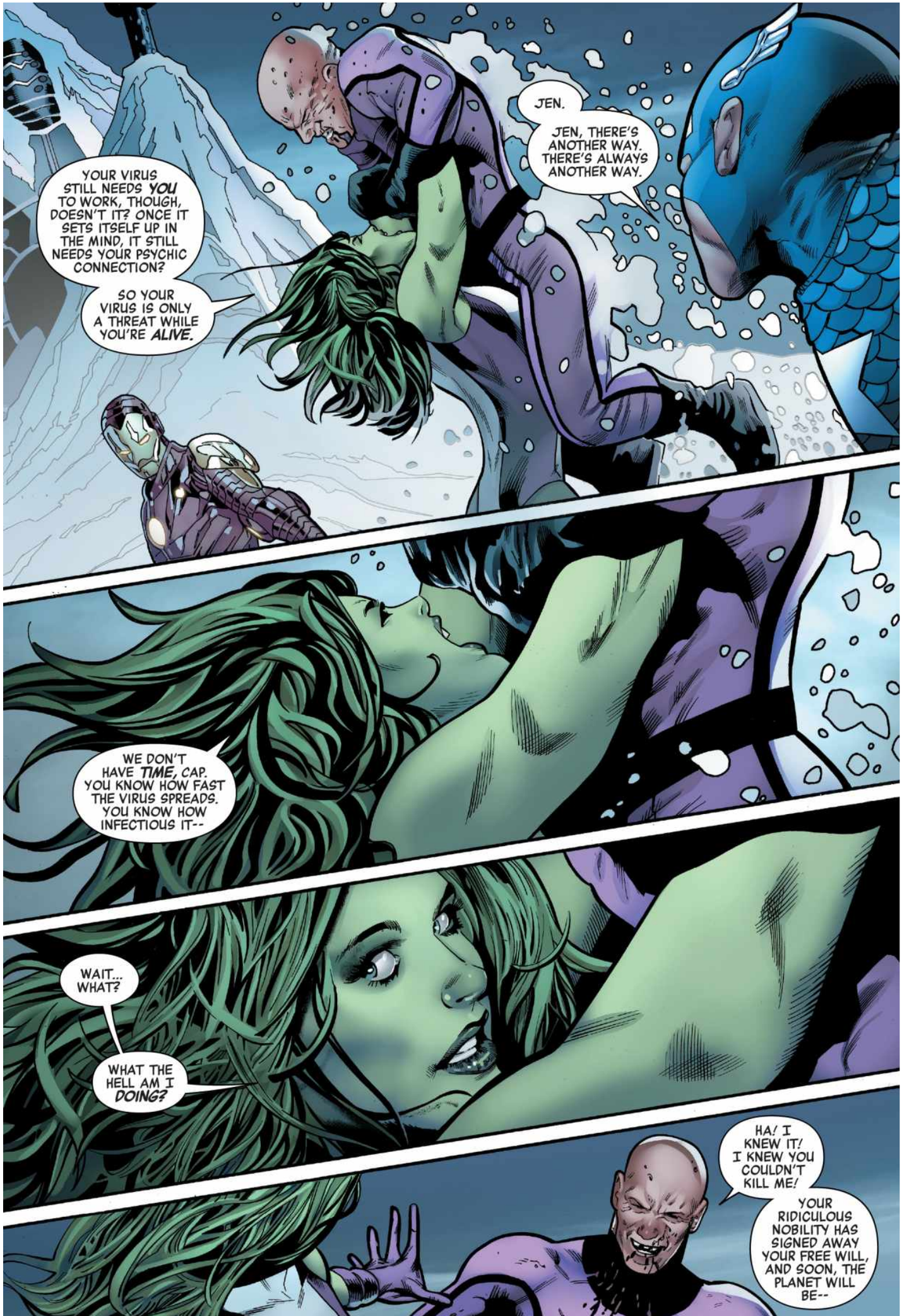
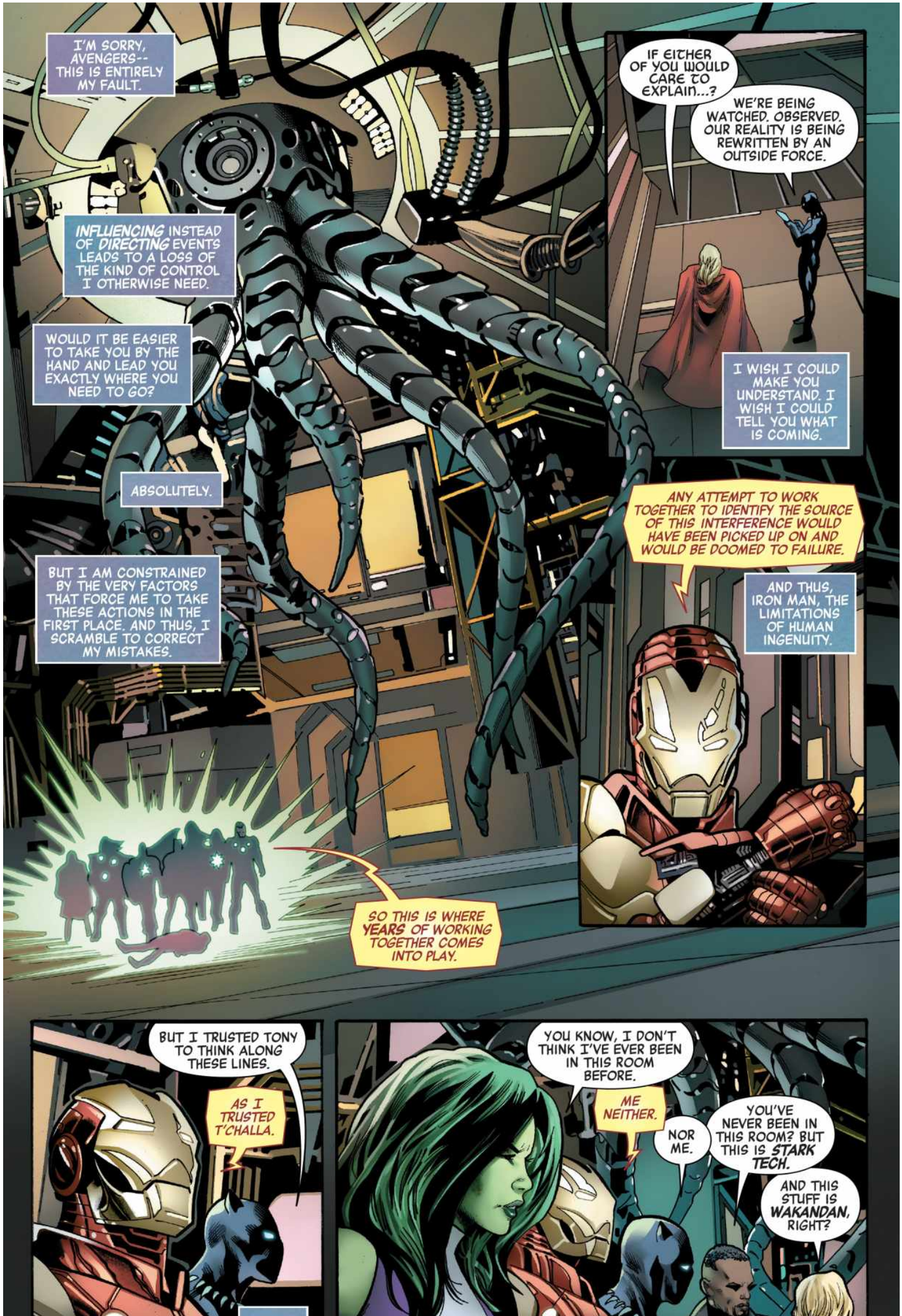

MURDEROUS RAGE IS HARDLY A NEW SENSATION TO A HULK!
IT IS, AS IS WIDELY KNOWN, THE THING THAT TRIGGERS THEIR SAVAGE STRENGTH!
IT FLOWS THROUGH THEIR VEINS, SOAKS THROUGH THEIR BONES AND DARKENS EVERY THOUGHT!
JENNIFER WALTERS--THE SENSATIONAL SHE-HULK-- HAS LEARNED TO CONTROL IT! SHE HAS LEARNED TO MASTER IT!
BUT THIS MAN, WHO CALLS HIMSELF THE AUTOCRAT, WILL DESTROY THE AVENGERS--
--DESTROY HER FRIENDS--
--AND ONLY BY GIVING IN TO THAT RAGE CAN SHE-HULK HOPE TO SAVE THEM!!!
BUT AT WHAT COST TO HER SOUL?

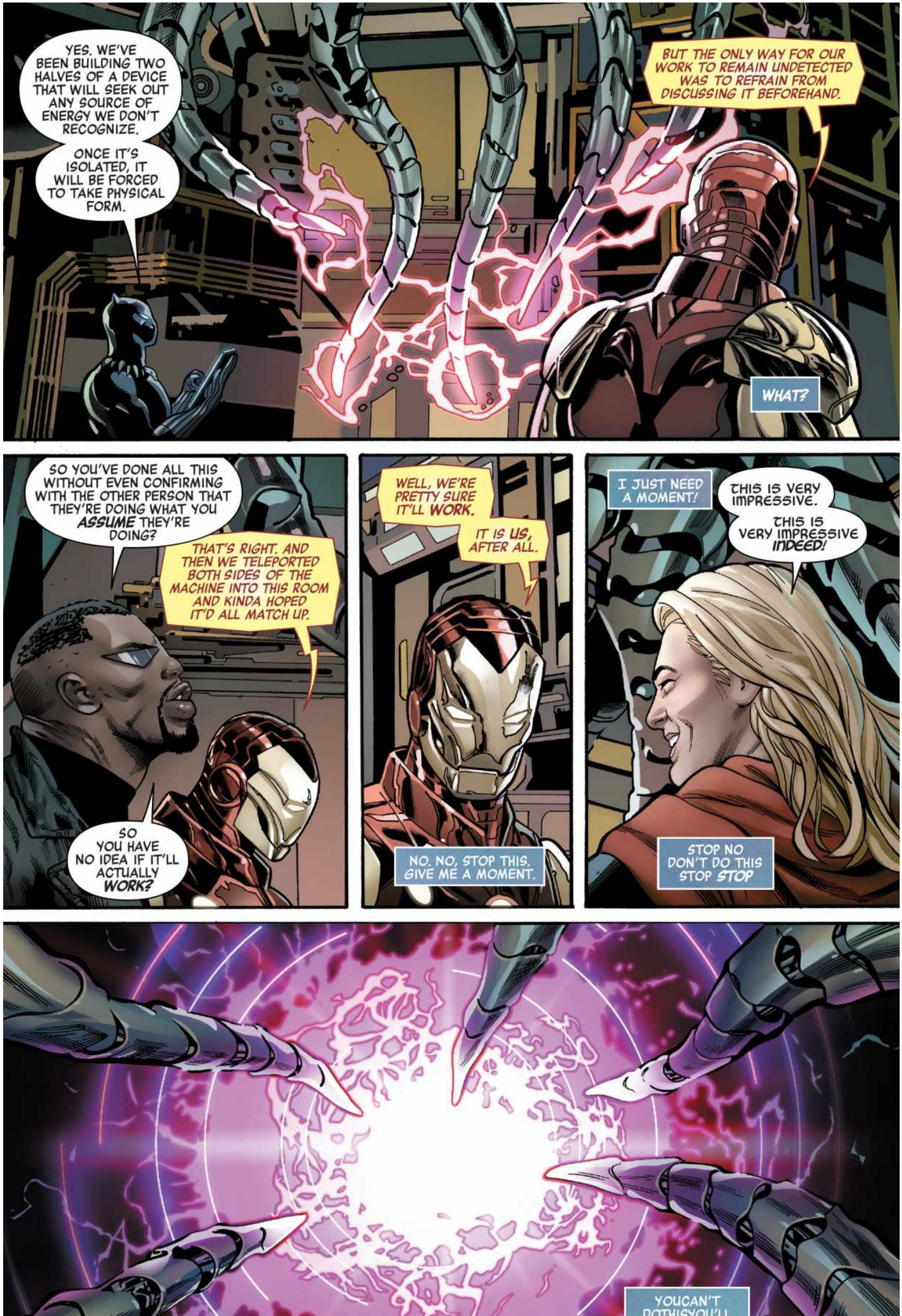
LOOK! SHE SPRINGS!
SHE ACTS!
WHUDD
SHE CONQUERS!
KRAK

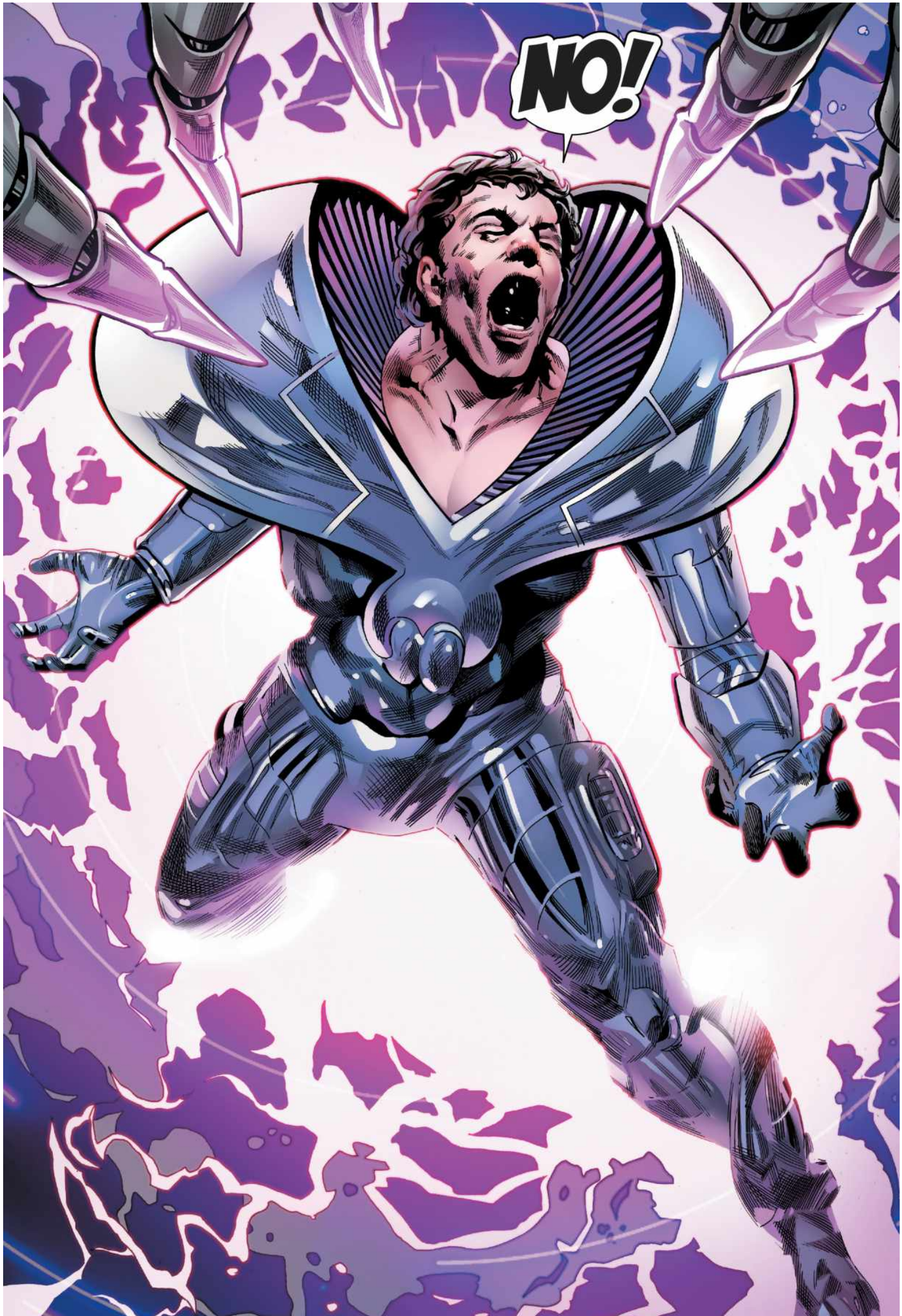
RELEASE THEM.
RELEASE THEM OR I'LL PUT MY FIST THROUGH YOUR HEAD.
VERY WELL, BUT IT IS =KOFF= OF LITTLE CONSEQUENCE.
YOU WILL ALL KNEEL BEFORE ME. YOU WILL ALL WORSHIP ME AS YOUR NEW GOD-KING.
EVEN NOW, THE VIRUS IS SPREADING AROUND THE WORLD.
YOU THINK YOU'VE STOPPED IT? THE STRAIN THAT ENSLAVED YOUR FELLOW AVENGERS WAS BUT THE SECOND VARIANT.
THE THIRD VARIANT WILL HAVE A HOLD ON YOU THAT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO BREAK.
WHEN YOU ARE INFECTED WITH THIS VARIANT, SHE-HULK, WHEN YOU ARE MINE TO CONTROL, I THINK YOU WILL BE MY FAVORITE.


JEN.
JEN, THERE'S ANOTHER WAY. THERE'S ALWAYS ANOTHER WAY.
YOUR VIRUS STILL NEEDS *YOU* TO WORK, THOUGH, DOESN'T IT? ONCE IT SETS ITSELF UP IN THE MIND, IT STILL NEEDS YOUR PSYCHIC CONNECTION?
SO YOUR VIRUS IS ONLY A THREAT WHILE YOU'RE *ALIVE.*
WE DON'T HAVE *TIME,* CAP. YOU KNOW HOW FAST THE VIRUS SPREADS. YOU KNOW HOW INFECTIOUS IT--
WAIT... WHAT?
WHAT THE HELL AM I *DOING?*
HA! I KNEW IT! I KNEW YOU COULDN'T KILL ME!
YOUR RIDICULOUS NOBILITY HAS SIGNED AWAY YOUR FREE WILL, AND SOON, THE PLANET WILL BE--

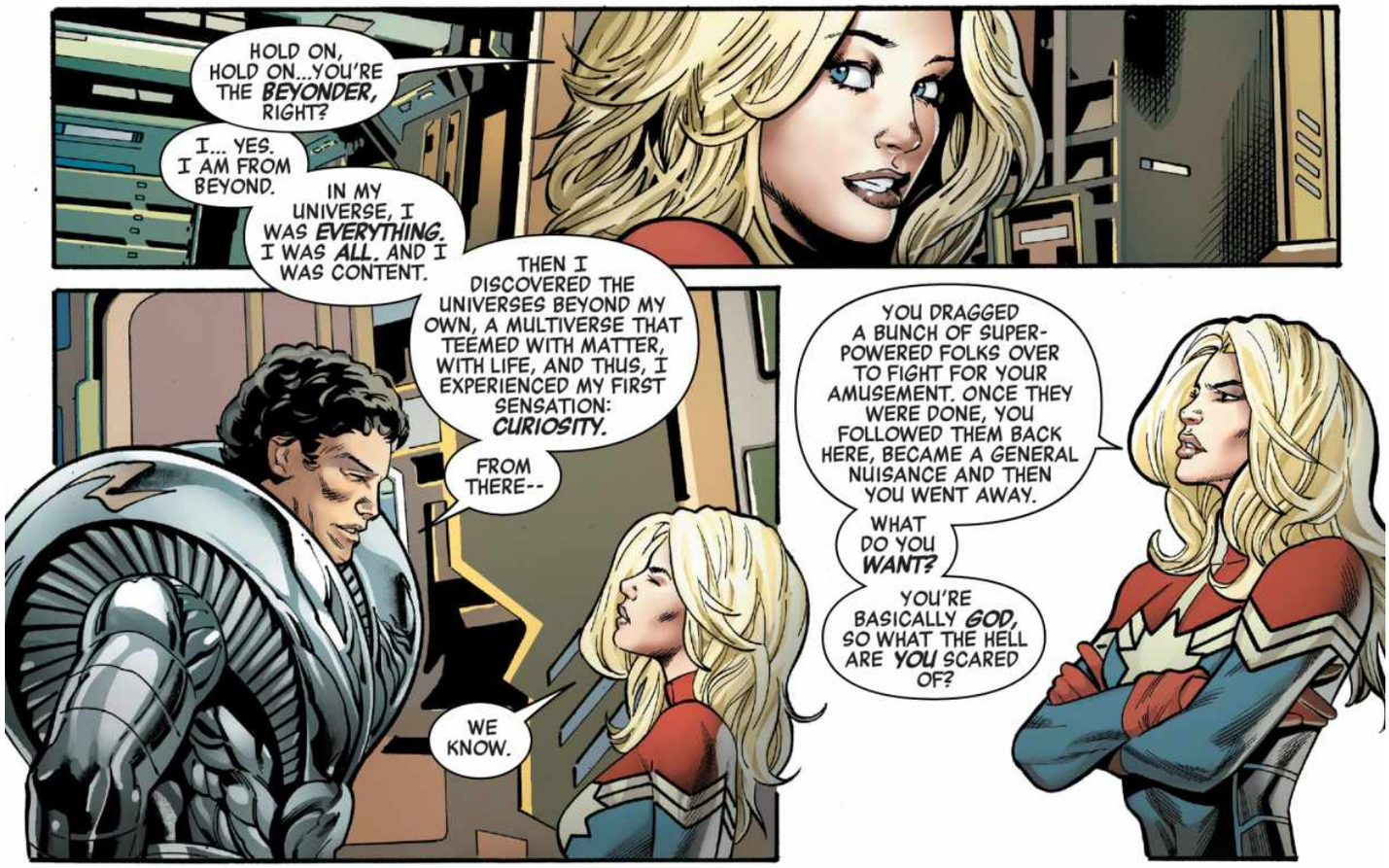
SHE-HULK?
FWAK
I THINK I WAS ABOUT TO KILL HIM.
BUT THAT'S NOT ME.
IT'S HAPPENING, ISN'T IT?
OH, NOT THIS AGAIN.
OUR MEMORIES.
I--I CAN'T REMEMBER HOW WE GOT HERE.
I THOUGHT I'D SOLVED THIS PROBLEM. I THOUGHT BY SUBSUMING MYSELF IN MY NEW ROLE, MY MACHINATIONS WOULD BE HARDER TO DETECT.
DON'T WORRY, EVERYONE--THIS IS THE MOMENT WE'VE BEEN WAITING FOR.
I EXPECT SO, TONY.
T'CHALLA,
LOOKS LIKE I MUST TRY HARDER.


I'M SORRY, AVENGERS-- THIS IS ENTIRELY MY FAULT.
INFLUENCING INSTEAD OF DIRECTING EVENTS LEADS TO A LOSS OF THE KIND OF CONTROL I OTHERWISE NEED.
WOULD IT BE EASIER TO TAKE YOU BY THE HAND AND LEAD YOU EXACTLY WHERE YOU NEED TO GO?
ABSOLUTELY.
BUT I AM CONSTRAINED BY THE VERY FACTORS THAT FORCE ME TO TAKE THESE ACTIONS IN THE FIRST PLACE. AND THUS, I SCRAMBLE TO CORRECT MY MISTAKES.
SO THIS IS WHERE YEARS OF WORKING TOGETHER COMES INTO PLAY.
IF EITHER OF YOU WOULD CARE TO EXPLAIN...?
WE'RE BEING WATCHED. OBSERVED. OUR REALITY IS BEING REWRITTEN BY AN OUTSIDE FORCE.
I WISH I COULD MAKE YOU UNDERSTAND. I WISH I COULD TELL YOU WHAT IS COMING.
ANY ATTEMPT TO WORK TOGETHER TO IDENTIFY THE SOURCE OF THIS INTERFERENCE WOULD HAVE BEEN PICKED UP ON AND WOULD BE DOOMED TO FAILURE.
AND THUS, IRON MAN, THE LIMITATIONS OF HUMAN INGENUITY.
BUT I TRUSTED TONY TO THINK ALONG THESE LINES.
AS I TRUSTED T'CHALLA.
YOU KNOW, I DON'T THINK I'VE EVER BEEN IN THIS ROOM BEFORE.
ME NEITHER.
NOR ME.
YOU'VE NEVER BEEN IN THIS ROOM? BUT THIS IS STARK TECH.
AND THIS STUFF IS WAKANDAN, RIGHT?

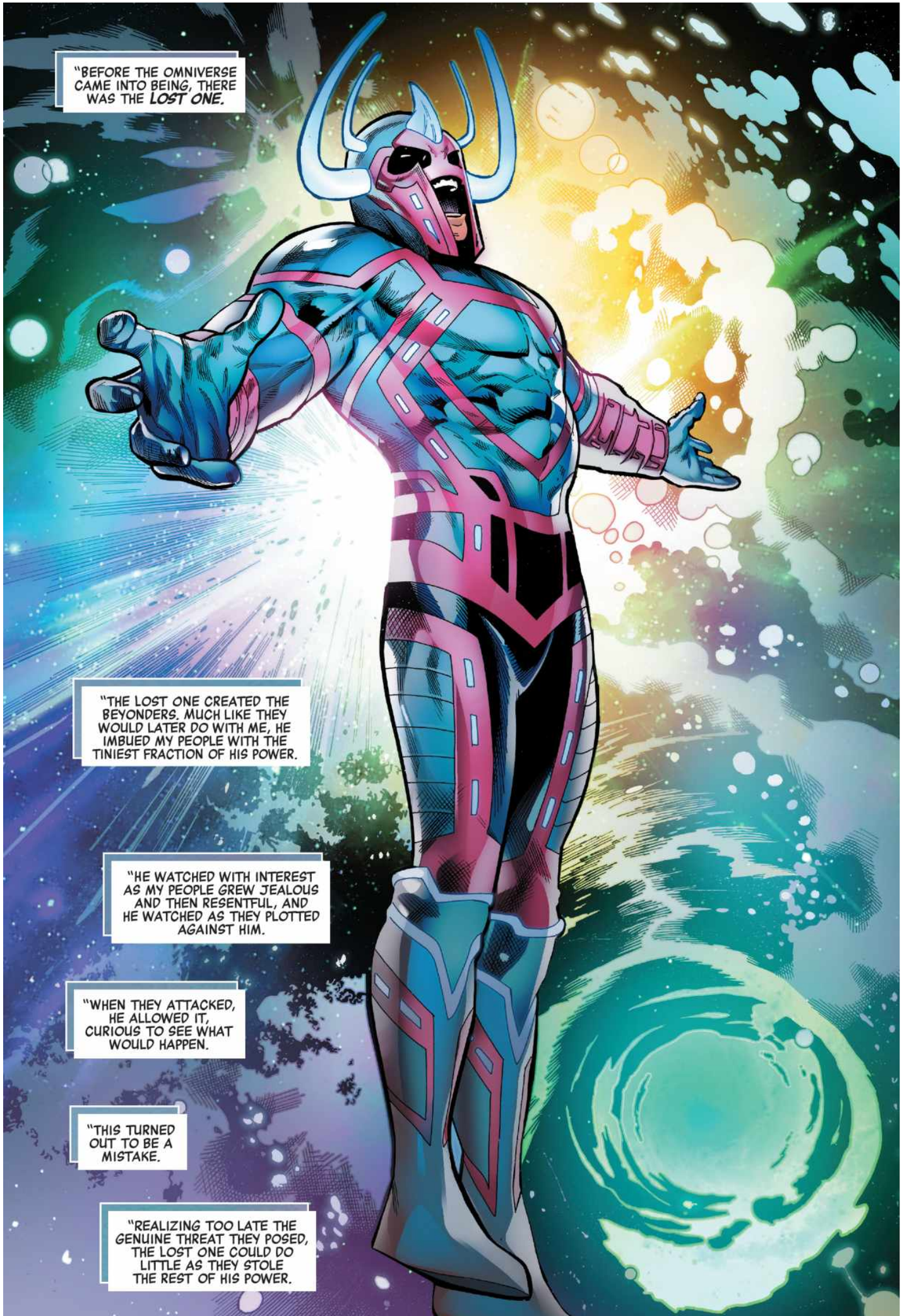

YES. WE'VE BEEN BUILDING TWO HALVES OF A DEVICE THAT WILL SEEK OUT ANY SOURCE OF ENERGY WE DON'T RECOGNIZE.
ONCE IT'S ISOLATED, IT WILL BE FORCED TO TAKE PHYSICAL FORM.
BUT THE ONLY WAY FOR OUR WORK TO REMAIN UNDETECTED WAS TO REFRAIN FROM DISCUSSING IT BEFOREHAND.
WHAT?
SO YOU'VE DONE ALL THIS WITHOUT EVEN CONFIRMING WITH THE OTHER PERSON THAT THEY'RE DOING WHAT YOU ASSUME THEY'RE DOING?
THAT'S RIGHT. AND THEN WE TELEPORTED BOTH SIDES OF THE MACHINE INTO THIS ROOM AND KINDA HOPED IT'D ALL MATCH UP.
SO YOU HAVE NO IDEA IF IT'LL ACTUALLY WORK?
WELL, WE'RE PRETTY SURE IT'LL WORK.
IT IS US, AFTER ALL.
NO. NO, STOP THIS. GIVE ME A MOMENT.
I JUST NEED A MOMENT!
THIS IS VERY IMPRESSIVE.
THIS IS VERY IMPRESSIVE INDEED!
STOP NO DON'T DO THIS STOP STOP
YOUCAN'T


NO!

NO, NO, NO, YOU'VE RUINED IT!
NOW HE'LL KNOW WHERE I AM! HE'LL SEE ME!
I WAS TRYING TO HELP YOU, DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND? I WAS TRYING TO SAVE YOU!


HOLD ON, HOLD ON...YOU'RE THE BEYONDER, RIGHT?
I... YES. I AM FROM BEYOND.
IN MY UNIVERSE, I WAS EVERYTHING. I WAS ALL. AND I WAS CONTENT.
THEN I DISCOVERED THE UNIVERSES BEYOND MY OWN, A MULTIVERSE THAT TEEMED WITH MATTER, WITH LIFE, AND THUS, I EXPERIENCED MY FIRST SENSATION: CURIOSITY.
FROM THERE--
WE KNOW.
YOU DRAGGED A BUNCH OF SUPER-POWERED FOLKS OVER TO FIGHT FOR YOUR AMUSEMENT. ONCE THEY WERE DONE, YOU FOLLOWED THEM BACK HERE, BECAME A GENERAL NUISANCE AND THEN YOU WENT AWAY.
WHAT DO YOU WANT?
YOU'RE BASICALLY GOD, SO WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU SCARED OF?

MY PEOPLE, FOR WANT OF A MORE ACCURATE WORD, ARE INDEED GODS, CAPTAIN MARVEL.
WE HOLD REALITY IN OUR HANDS. WE SHAPE IT ACCORDING TO OUR WILL. OUR POWER IS, FOR ALL INTENTS AND PURPOSES, INFINITE.
MY PEOPLE BIRTHED ME, AND OTHERS LIKE ME, AND SHARED A SLIVER OF THEIR POWER WITH US, BECAUSE A SLIVER OF INFINITY IS STILL INFINITY.
BUT OUR


"BEFORE THE OMNIVERSE CAME INTO BEING, THERE WAS THE LOST ONE.
"THE LOST ONE CREATED THE BEYONDERS. MUCH LIKE THEY WOULD LATER DO WITH ME, HE IMBUED MY PEOPLE WITH THE TINIEST FRACTION OF HIS POWER.
"HE WATCHED WITH INTEREST AS MY PEOPLE GREW JEALOUS AND THEN RESENTFUL, AND HE WATCHED AS THEY PLOTTED AGAINST HIM.
"WHEN THEY ATTACKED, HE ALLOWED IT, CURIOUS TO SEE WHAT WOULD HAPPEN.
"THIS TURNED OUT TO BE A MISTAKE.
"REALIZING TOO LATE THE GENUINE THREAT THEY POSED, THE LOST ONE COULD DO LITTLE AS THEY STOLE THE REST OF HIS POWER.

"UNABLE TO KILL HIM-- FOR THE LOST ONE CANNOT BE KILLED--THE BEYONDERS IMPRISONED HIM ON A MOON OUTSIDE THE OMNIVERSE.
"WHERE HE REMAINED UNTIL... RECENTLY.

"WHEN A SINGLE FLAW IN THE DESIGN OF HIS PRISON FINALLY LED TO ITS MALFUNCTION.
"AND JUST LIKE THAT, THE LOST ONE WAS FREE.

"AND HE COMES FOR US NOW, DEFEATING EVERY WARRIOR THE BEYONDERS HAVE SENT AGAINST HIM.

"MY PEOPLE--OMNIPOTENT GODS WITH INFINITE POWER-- HAVE SCATTERED, TERRIFIED OF THE BEING WHO STALKS THEM ACROSS THE UNIVERSES."

SO I CAME HERE, WHERE I HAVE BEEN PREPARING THE EARTH TO BE THE PLACE I MAKE MY FINAL STAND.
WAIT, WHAT?
YOU'VE DRAGGED US INTO THIS CONFLICT?
YOU'RE MY FRIENDS. YOU'LL HELP ME.
IN A WAR AMONG GODS? YOU'RE GOING TO GET US KILLED.
BUT... YOU'LL HELP ME, YES?
FIRST THINGS FIRST. YOU ORCHESTRATED THIS WHOLE THING WITH THE AUTOCRAT'S VIRUS TO HELP US PREPARE, RIGHT? GET RID OF IT. NOW.
DONE.

WHAT... WHAT HAPPENED? MY VIRUS... WHAT HAPPENED TO MY VIRUS?
IT WAS NEVER YOURS, AUTOCRAT. I SIMPLY ADJUSTED YOUR REALITY TO MAKE YOU REMEMBER IT THAT WAY.
WHEN YOU NEXT BLINK, YOU WILL HAVE RETURNED TO YOUR OLD LIFE.
BUT I DON'T WANT TO! I DON'T--

THERE. HE'S GONE.
NOW WILL YOU HELP ME?

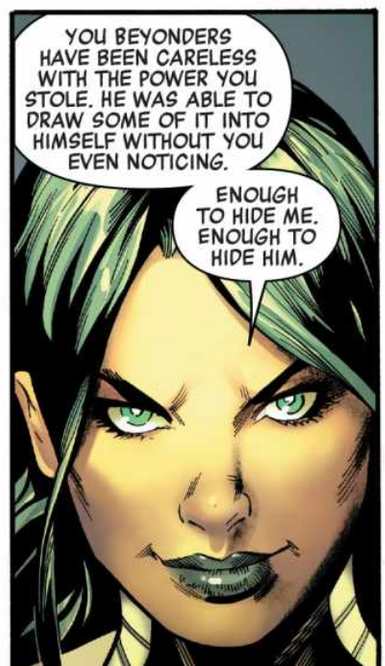
IF WE CAN MEDIATE A PEACEFUL SOLUTION, WE ABSOLUTELY WILL--BUT IT CANNOT HAPPEN ON EARTH. WE CAN'T RISK THIS PLANET BECOMING A BATTLEFIELD.
YOU HAVE TO LEAVE.

BUT NOW THAT I'VE TAKEN PHYSICAL FORM, HE KNOWS WHERE I AM.
HE'LL BE SENDING SOMEONE TO CAPTURE ME WHILE HE TRAVERSES THE--

ALERT! ALERT! INTRUDER!
NO. NOT YET. PLEASE.

HELLO, THIEF.
YOU!
I SAW YOU! I WATCHED YOU ON THE DRAHL SATELLITE PLANET!*
I DIDN'T RECOGNIZE YOU. BUT I RECOGNIZE EVERYONE.
MY NAME IS TIAMOK.
DO YOU KNOW ME NOW, THIEF?
*IN ALL-OUT AVENGERS #4. --TOM

TIAMOK...RATH? OF KHARRADUN? BUT HOW--?
HE HID YOU FROM ME.


YOU BEYONDERS HAVE BEEN CARELESS WITH THE POWER YOU STOLE. HE WAS ABLE TO DRAW SOME OF IT INTO HIMSELF WITHOUT YOU EVEN NOTICING.
ENOUGH TO HIDE ME. ENOUGH TO HIDE HIM.

THAT'S FAR ENOUGH.
AH, THE PRINCESS. I SEE YOU'VE HEALED SINCE OUR LAST ENCOUNTER.
TAKE ONE STEP CLOSER AND YOU'LL WONDER WHY YOU BOTHERED.

BUT THIS TIME, LADY MARVEL IS NOT ALONE.
YOU WOULD STAND AGAINST ME, ASGARDIAN?
I KNOW NOT WHO YOU ARE, BUT, YES--I WOULD STAND AGAINST YOU.
GOOD.

THIS IS FUN!

BUT I CAME HERE TO DRAW THE BLOOD OF THE THIEF.
AND I WILL NOT BE STOPPED BY THE LIKES OF YOU.
AWAY, DEMON WOMAN!
THE POWER YOU STOLE CANNOT HARM THE LOST ONE, THIEF.
AND IT CANNOT HARM ME.
NOW ABOUT THAT BLOOD...
HKK!
HA! IT IS DONE!

BEYONDER? YOU OKAY?
NO. I AM... TAINTED.

IF YOU TRY TO LEAVE THIS PLANET'S ATMOSPHERE OR YOU EXPEND ENOUGH ENERGY, HE'LL KNOW EXACTLY WHERE YOU ARE.

MY OWN POWER WILL TRANSPORT HIM HERE. MY OWN POWER IS WORKING AGAINST ME.
IT'S NOT YOUR POWER, THIEF. IT'S HIS. AND HE'S COMING TO TAKE IT BACK.

YOU CAN LOCK ME UP NOW, PRINCESS. IT'S ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE YOUR WORLD BURNS DOWN AROUND ME.
I'M QUITE LOOKING FORWARD TO WATCHING IT HAPPEN.

I'M SORRY, IT IS NO LONGER SAFE FOR ME TO MAINTAIN THIS PHYSICAL FORM. IT IS NO LONGER SAFE FOR ME TO HOLD THESE THOUGHTS.
BEYONDER, WAIT! HOW DO WE FIGHT THE LOST ONE?

I'VE ALREADY GIVEN YOU THE TOOLS YOU'LL NEED AND, ALTHOUGH MY POWER WILL BE LIMITED, I'LL DO MY VERY BEST TO HELP.
I'M SO SORRY.

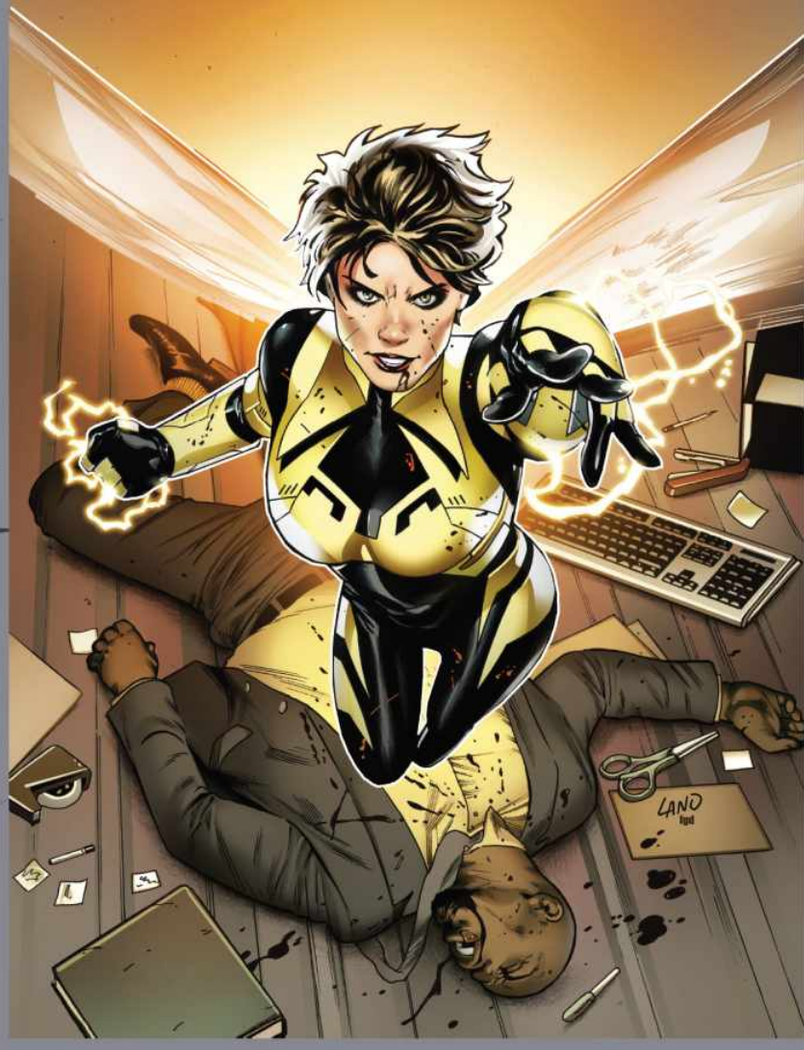
I HOPE, AVENGERS, THAT I HAVEN'T DOOMED YOU ALL!
HE'S ALREADY GIVEN US THE TOOLS. THAT'S A START.
EXACTLY, SHIELD-SLINGER!
HE'S GIVEN US WHAT WE NEED TO STRENGTHEN THE PLANETARY DEFENSE SHIELD. HE'S GIVEN US ACCESS TO CRYSTALS THAT HOLD A POTENTIALLY UNLIMITED AMOUNT OF POWER.*
*ALSO IN ALL-OUT AVENGERS #4. --TOM

WE JUST HAVE TO WORK OUT HOW BEST TO EXTRACT THAT POWER.
AND HOW LONG WILL THAT TAKE?
MY BEST GUESS?
(TOO LONG.)
TOO LONG.

WE'LL DO WHAT WE CAN. OUR FIRST PRIORITY IS TO BOLSTER THE SHIELD.
ONCE WE'VE GOT THAT IN PLACE, WE CAN FOCUS ON OFFENSE.
AND THIS IS WHY I CAME HERE! BECAUSE THE AVENGERS NEVER GIVE UP! BECAUSE THE AVENGERS TRIUMPH DESPITE THE ODDS!
WE CAN DO THIS! THE BEYONDER AND THE
IN THE MEANTIME, WE'VE JUST GOT TO HOPE THAT THE LOST ONE DOESN'T HAVE ANY MORE SURPRISES COMING OUR WAY.

OH.
OH DEAR.

AVENGERS BEYOND #2



As violence tears New York apart and ordinary citizens become crazed, super-powered berserkers, Janet Van Dyne--A.K.A. the wonderfully winsome Wasp--fights to save not only the lives of her fellow heroes but also a friendship. Which is not that easy when that particular friend is trying to bash her head in...

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